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TAGS: OVIP (ATHERTON , ALFRED L., JR.), XI

SUBJECT: VISIT TO NORTH AFRICA BY NEA ASSISTANT SECRETARY
ATHERTON

REF: TUNIS 5933 (NOTAL)

FROM ATHERTON

1. IN CONJUNCTION WITH MY PARTICIPATION IN FORTHCOMING
US-TUNISIAN JOINT COMMISSION, I AM ALSO PLANNING SHORT
STOPS IN ALGIERS AND RABAT. MY ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

-- FRIDAY, OCT 17

8:00 P.M. DEPART WASHINGTON VIA TWA 890

-- SATURDAY, OCT 18

11:30 A.M. ARRIVE ROME

4:40 P.M. DEPART ROME VIA AZ 864

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5:50 P.M. ARRIVE TUNIS

-- SUNDAY, OCT 19
IN TUNIS

--MONDAY, OCT 20
4:40 P.M. DEPART TUNIS VIA LN311
4:45 P.M. ARRIVE ALGIERS

-- TUESDAY, OCT 21
IN ALGIERS

-- WEDNESDAY, OCT 22
9:00 A.M. DEPART ALGIERS VIA AH 4230
10:40 A.M. ARRIVE CASABLANCA (TO RABAT BY CAR)

-- THURSDAY, OCT 23
IN RABAT

-- FRIDAY, OCT 24
10:55 A.M. DEPART CASABLANCA FOR JFK VIA TWA 901

2. FOR TUNIS: REGRET THAT I WILL BE UNABLE TO ARRIVE
IN TIME FOR OCT 17 PLENARY SESSION BUT PRESS OF WORK
INCLUDING PREPARATIONS FOR FORTHCOMING VISIT OF PRESIDENT
SADAT HAS NECESSITATED DELAY IN MY DEPARTURE FROM
WASHINGTON. I UNDERSTAND THAT AMBASSADOR SEELYE HAD BEEN
PREPARED TO CHAIR OPENING SESSION IN EVENT THAT I WAS UN-
ABLE TO DO SO. BELIEVE AMBASSADOR SHOULD NOW GO AHEAD
WITH THIS ARRANGEMENT.

3. FOR ALGIERS AND RABAT: SEPTELS WILL BE FORTHCOMING
CONCERNING DETAILS OF MY VISIT, PENDING RECEIPT OF WHICH
YOU SHOULD NOT RPT NOT TAKE INITIATIVE TO MENTION IT TO
HOST GOVERNMENT.

4. FOR ROME: WOULD APPRECIATE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE
DURING AIRLINE TRANSFER ON OCTOBER 18. KISSINGER

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